

Tuesday, August 1, 1995

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate passed Energy and Water Appropriations, 1996.

House passed Bosnia and Herzegovina Self-Defense bill.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11043–S11126*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1099–1101. **Page S11107**

#### Measures Passed:

**Energy and Water Appropriations, 1996:** Senate passed H.R. 1905, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, after agreeing to committee amendments, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S11068–99, S11101–05**

#### Adopted:

(1) Domenici (for Reid) Amendment No. 2053 (to committee amendment on page 23, line 7), relating to the expansion of a facility for the storage of uranium. **Page S11069**

(2) Jeffords Amendment No. 2054, to increase funds for energy research and development of solar and renewable energy technologies. **Pages S11071–72**  
Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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(3) By 62 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 347), Bumpers Amendment No. 2055, to provide for the termination of the Gas Turbine-Modular Helium Reactor program. **Pages S11073–78**

(4) Abraham Amendment No. 2056, to repeal authorizations for the Technical Committee on Verification of Fissile Material and Nuclear Warhead Control and the Technical Panel on Magnetic Fusion. **Pages S11079–80**

(5) By 83 yeas to 14 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 348), Dorgan Amendment No. 2057, to express the sense of the Senate that the Speaker of the House should move to appoint conferees on S. 4, Line Item Veto immediately, so that the House and Senate may resolve their differences.

**Pages S11080–84**

(6) Johnston (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2059, to reduce the energy costs of Federal facilities.

**Pages S11093–94**

(7) Johnston (for Lautenberg/Bradley) Amendment No. 2060, to provide for the use of funds for the Tokamak Fusion Test Reactor.

**Pages S11093–95**

(8) Johnston (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2061, to provide funds for the completion of the feasibility study of alternatives for meeting the drinking water needs on the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation and surrounding communities.

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(9) Johnston (for Baucus) Amendment No. 2062, to provide \$2 million for Crow Indian energy resource projects.

**Pages S11093–95**

(10) Johnston (for Byrd) Amendment No. 2063, to provide for the revising of a cost ceiling relating to the flood control project for Petersburg, West Virginia.

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(11) Johnston (for Feingold) Amendment No. 2064, to limit funding for the Tennessee Valley Authority Environmental Research Center.

**Pages S11093–97**

(12) Johnston (for Boxer/Baucus) Amendment No. 2065, to require the Secretary of the Army to submit the plan to reduce the number of division offices within the Army Corps of Engineers to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works and the House of Representative Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

**Pages S11093–97**

(13) Domenici (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2066, to provide for the donation of land to the Army Corps of Engineers, the development of a recreation center, and the designation of land for mitigation.

**Pages S11097–98**

(14) Domenici (for Grams/Wellstone) Amendment No. 2067, to provide funds for the Marshall, Minnesota flood control project.

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(15) Domenici (for Warner) Amendment No. 2068, to provide funds for Virginia Beach erosion control and hurricane protection. **Pages S11097-98**

(16) Domenici (for Brown) Amendment No. 2069, to limit the use of funds for the Delaware River Basin Commission. **Pages S11097-98**

(17) Domenici (for Brown) Amendment No. 2070, to limit the use of funds for the Susquehanna River Basin Commission. **Pages S11097-98**

(18) Domenici (for Gregg/Kemphorne) No. 2071, to provide funds for electrical and utility systems upgrade, Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. **Pages S11097-98**

(19) Domenici (for Pressler/Daschle) Amendment No. 2072, to require the Army Corps of Engineers to take such actions as are necessary to obtain and maintain a specified elevation in Lake Traverse, South Dakota and Minnesota. **Pages S11097-99**

(20) Domenici (for Dole/Kassebaum) Amendment No. 2073, to provide funds for the Arkansas City flood control project, Kansas. **Pages S11097-99**

(21) Domenici (for Hatfield) Amendment No. 2074, to provide funds to undertake the Coos Bay, Oregon project. **Pages S11097-99**

(22) Wellstone Amendment No. 2075, to establish interim water levels in Rainy Lake and Namakan Lake, Minnesota. **Pages S11097-S11110**

Rejected:

Grams Amendment No. 2058, to reduce the level of funding for the Appalachian Regional Commission by \$40 million. (By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 349), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S11088-92**

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Domenici, Hatfield, Cochran, Gorton, McConnell, Bennett, Burns, Johnston, Byrd, Hollings, Reid, Kerrey, and Murray. **Page S11105**

**Waiving Congressional Adjournment:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 89, waiving provisions of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 requiring adjournment of Congress by July 31. **Page S11125**

**Department of State Authorizations:** Senate continued consideration of S. 908, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 1996 through 1999 and to abolish the United States Information Agency, the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, and the Agency for International Development, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S11049-66, S11067-68**

Adopted:

Hutchison Amendment No. 2033 (to Amendment No. 2025), to express the sense of the Congress that

the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, to be held in Beijing, China, should promote a representative American perspective on issues of equality, peace and development. **Page S11050**

Pending:

Dole Amendment No. 2025, to withhold certain funds for international conferences if funds were expended for U.S. participation in the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women while Harry Wu was being detained in China. **Page S11049**

Helms Amendment No. 2031, to authorize reduced levels of appropriations for foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997. **Page S11049**

Kerry (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2032 (to Amendment No. 2025), to express the sense of the Senate regarding the arrest of Harry Wu by the Government of the People's Republic of China. **Page S11049**

Helms Amendment No. 2041, to express the sense of Congress regarding the consolidation and reinvention of the foreign affairs agencies of the United States. **Pages S11049-66**

Helms Amendment No. 2042 (to Amendment No. 2041), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S11058-66**

During consideration of the bill today, the following also occurred:

By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 345), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the bill. **Pages S11049-50**

By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 346), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate again failed to close further debate on the bill. **Page S11067**

Subsequently, the bill was returned to the Senate calendar. **Page S11068**

### Measure Indefinitely Postponed:

**Supplemental Appropriations/Rescissions, 1995:** Senate indefinitely postponed further consideration of S. 617, making additional supplemental appropriations and rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995. **Page S11125**

**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report on the national emergency with Iraq; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-71). **Pages S11105-06**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Rear Admiral John Carter Albright, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission.

Bruce W. Greer, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

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**Messages From the President:** Pages S11105–06

**Messages From the House:** Pages S11106–07

**Measures Referred:** Page S11107

**Statements on Introduced Bills:** Pages S11107–09

**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages S11109–10

**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S11110–22

**Authority for Committees:** Page S11122

**Additional Statements:** Pages S11123–25

**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—349)

Pages S11049–50, S11067, S11078, S11084, S11091–92

**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 8:43 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, August 2, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S11126.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUDGET REVIEW

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded hearings on the mid-session review of the 1996 budget, focusing on the Administration's proposal to reduce the Federal deficit and facilitate economic growth, after receiving testimony from Alice M. Rivlin, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FUTURE

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the future of the Department of Commerce, after receiving testimony from Ronald H. Brown, Secretary of Commerce; Edward Hudgins, CATO Institute, and Suzanne Iudicello, Center for Marine Conservation, both of Washington, D.C.; Sergio Mazza, American National Standards Institute, New York, New York; Richard Gowen, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Rapid City; Robert W. Cross, Nanophase Technologies Corporation, Burr Ridge, Illinois; and Gary W. Jones, FED Corporation, Hopewell Junction, New York.

### OPERATING PERMITS PROVISIONS OF CLEAN AIR ACT

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of Title V of the Clean

Air Act of 1990 (P.L. 101–549), relating to Federal operating permits which require industries to comply with certain pollution control requirements, after receiving testimony from Mary Nichols, Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, and Steven Herman, Assistant Administrator, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; David Hawkins, Natural Resources Defense Counsel, Washington, D.C.; Paul J. Eisele, Masco Corporation, Taylor, Michigan, on behalf of the American Furniture Association; Richard Wimbish, Techform, Incorporated, Mount Airy, North Carolina, on behalf of the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.; Jeff Saitas, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Austin; Robert Hodanbosi, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Columbus; and Dan V. Bartosh, Jr., Dallas, Texas, on behalf of Texas Instruments Corporation and the Air Implementation Reform Coalition.

### INTERNATIONAL TRADE ISSUES

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on International Trade held hearings to examine various international trade issues, focusing on granting most-favored-nation (MFN) tariff status to Cambodia and the permanent extension of MFN tariff status to Bulgaria, proposed legislation to authorize funds for the Generalized System of Preferences program, and the Administration's fiscal year 1996 budget requests for the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the United States International Trade Commission, and the United States Customs Service, receiving testimony from Senator McCain; Charlene Barshefsky, Deputy United States Trade Representative; Vincette L. Goerl, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Finance, and Chief Financial Officer, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Peter S. Watson, Chairman, United States International Trade Commission; William J. Cunningham, AFL–CIO, Washington, D.C.; Ronald L. Parrish, Tandy Corporation, Fort Worth, Texas; and John L. Smith, Amsurco Incorporated, Mendham, New Jersey.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William H. Courtney, of West Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Georgia, James F. Collins, of Illinois, to be Ambassador at Large and Special Advisor to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States, Joseph A. Presel, of Rhode Island, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Negotiator for Nagorno-Karabakh, Stanley T.